

\$39 results in improved quality and increased production.

Mr. Speaker, this funding is important to my district, my state, and our country—and I urge a “no” vote on this amendment.

HONORING CHRISTOPHER M. PACK

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 9, 2009

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Christopher M. Pack, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1692, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Christopher has been very active with his troop participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Christopher has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Christopher M. Pack for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING CHATHAM GLENWOOD
HIGH SCHOOL TITANS BASEBALL
PROGRAM

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 9, 2009

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a group of talented student-athletes from Chatham, Illinois.

The Chatham Glenwood High School Titans defeated the LaSalle-Peru Cavaliers in a 2–1 game to advance to the Illinois High School Association Class 3A state baseball championship. The Titans finished runners-up after a hard fought championship game.

My congratulations go to Head Coach Pat Moomey and assistant coaches John Hyde and Kyle Moomey for their work with this outstanding group of student-athletes. But most of all, I want to congratulate the members of the 2009 Chatham Glenwood High School Titans state champion runners-up baseball team: Nino Mattered, Derek Piper, Jake Ingold, Derek Crouch, Ryan Williams, Jacob Reese, Connor Bryant, Ben Parks, Tim Sullivan, Michael Fiaush, Max Xanders, Phillip Maton, Jake Fuls, Matt Green, Jared Turner, Tristan Molumby, Aaron Hearn, Bryce Sablotny, Jake Lance, Zack Joos, Patrick Woerner, Chris Sekardi and Dallas Henderson.

They have represented themselves, their school and the community in an exemplary fashion, and I want to join with the other members of this House in wishing them the best of luck in their future endeavors, both on and off the field.

HAYLEY AND DERRIC SMITH
AGGIES FOREVER

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 9, 2009

Mr. POE of Texas. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to congratulate Hayley and Derric Smith on their marriage on Saturday, May 23, 2009.

Hayley is from Bridgeport, Texas and Derric is from Hobbs, New Mexico. The two met in college while attending Texas A&M. Hayley graduated with a Communications degree in 2008 and Derric earned an Agriculture Leadership and Development Degree in 2007. After graduation they both moved to Washington, D.C. where Derric proposed to Hayley in Statuary Hall located in our nations Capitol.

Derric has been accepted to law school at Southern Methodist University in the fall of 2009 and Hayley and Derric will be moving to Dallas, Texas. While I know Hayley and Derric will go on to achieve great things, I will miss Hayley's spirit, work ethic, and Texas pride that comes from an Aggie graduate.

Hayley has truly been an asset to my office over the last year. I know that she looks forward to getting back to the great state of Texas and hoping the Aggies can pull off an upset over the Texas Longhorns at some point.

The commitment that Hayley and Derric have to each other will only get stronger as they begin a new chapter in their lives together. I would like to congratulate them again on their marriage and wish them the very best in all of their future endeavors.

And that's just the way it is.

EARMARK DECLARATIONS

HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 9, 2009

Mr. CRENSHAW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit documentation consistent with the Republican Earmark Standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3082—Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Navy

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: MCSF Blount Island, FL

Address of Receiving Entity: Channel View Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32226

Description of Request: I have secured \$3,760,000 in funding in H.R. 3082 in the Navy Account for the Port Operations Facility at MCSF Blount Island, FL.

The purpose of this funding is to construct a new multi-story waterfront operations support facility to include a container operations office, harbor security office and a multiple user waterfront operations building.

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funding because it would support the MCSF Blount Island, FL facility which is responsible for the United States Marine Corps' Maritime Prepositioning Ships (MPS) Maintenance Cycle operations and oversight of the Marine

Corps Prepositioning Program-Norway (MCPPN).

There are no matching funds required or allowed for this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3082—Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Navy

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Naval Air Station Jacksonville

Address of Receiving Entity: Roosevelt Blvd Jacksonville, FL 32212

Description of Request: I have secured \$5,917,000 in funding in H.R. 3082 in the Navy Account for the P–8A Multi-Mission Maritime Aircraft (MMA) Facilities Modification at NAS Jacksonville, FL.

The purpose of this funding is to upgrade the existing airfield facilities to support the operation and maintenance of the new P–8A Multi-Mission Maritime Aircraft (MMA).

The MMA is programmed for a phased replacement of the P–3C aircraft between 2011 and 2018. NAS Jacksonville has been identified as a main operating base for this phased replacement. Modification of existing facilities is required to support this new mission.

There are no matching funds required or allowed for this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3082—Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Navy

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Naval Station Mayport

Address of Receiving Entity: Mayport Road Jacksonville, FL 32228

Description of Request: I have secured \$29,682,000 in funding in H.R. 3082 in the Navy Account for Wharf Charlie Repair at Naval Station Mayport.

The purpose of this funding is to recapitalize Charlie One (C–1) Wharf by reconstructing the 608 foot general purpose berthing wharf with a new second deck wharf.

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because failure to recapitalize C–1 Wharf will result in increasing steel deterioration of the bulkhead, formation of holes and loss of backfill material. Loss of material will cause voids, failure of wharf deck paving, potential utility outages from broken piping. Resultant live load restrictions would eliminate crane and truck operations on the wharf.

Wharf C–1 could no longer be effectively used as an ordnance handling berth which would severely restrict weapons on load/off-load within the Mayport basin, require increased ships movements within the basin and could possibly delay ships operational schedules.

There are no matching funds required or allowed for this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3082—Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Navy

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Naval Station Mayport

Address of Receiving Entity: Mayport Road Jacksonville, FL 32228

Description of Request: I have secured \$46,303,000 in funding in H.R. 3082 in the

Navy Account for Channel Dredging at Naval Station Mayport.

The purpose of this funding is to remove an estimated 5.2 million cubic yards of sediment from the turning basin, inner entrance channel and Jacksonville Harbor Bar Cut (outer channel) to the prescribed project depths (approximately 50 feet) and deposit the dredged material in the permitted open ocean disposal areas.

As most of you are aware, the Department of Defense has decided to further review the Navy's earlier decision to establish a second nuclear aircraft carrier homeport at Naval Station Mayport, Florida within the 2010 Quadrennial Defense Review (QDR).

HOWEVER, the current leadership in the Department of Defense, Secretary Gates and Deputy Secretary Lynn, have declared that at the very least there MUST be alternate location to dock our nuclear carriers in case of a natural or man-made emergency at Naval Station Norfolk.

There are no matching funds required or allowed for this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW.

Bill Number: H.R. 3082—Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Navy

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Naval Station Mayport

Address of Receiving Entity: Mayport Road Jacksonville, FL 32228

Description of Request: I have secured \$26,360,000 in funding in H.R. 3082 in the Navy Account for a Fitness Center at Naval Station Mayport.

The purpose of this funding is to construct a new fitness center at Mayport to replace a 35 year old out dated and non-compliant structure.

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will upgrade readiness, training and the quality of life of sailors at and their families at Naval Station Mayport.

There are no matching funds required or allowed for this project.

HONORING GLENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER PROGRAM

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 9, 2009

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor one of the top high school soccer programs in Illinois.

The Titans from Glenwood High School in Chatham, Illinois, took third place at the Illinois High School Association Class 2A state finals last month. It was the school's third trip to state in six years, and it capped off an 18–4–1 season.

This year's squad avenged last year's loss to Belleville Althoff in the super-sectional by winning the rematch and advancing to the state finals. Once there, they fell to Lemont 1–0, but bounced back to take a 2–1 victory over Sycamore in the third place game.

I want to congratulate head coach Jay Lipe and assistant coaches Greg Lipe, Pam Hogan and Bethany Rollet on their success with this group of student-athletes. I especially want to

congratulate the members of the 2009 Glenwood Titans' state third place soccer team: Cara Moody, Erin Egolf, Sydney Alstott, Ashley Kulavic, Lindsey Koch, Dani Torry, Eryn Sullivan, Rylie Sullivan, Ali Traina, Bree Gardner, Annie Kwedar, Jenny Mosley, Emily Stockton, Elena Pappas, Abby Vorreyer, Colleen Quick, Rachel Kobayashi, Alise Wisniewski, Kaylee Walsh and Abby Juhlin.

These students have represented themselves, their school and the community very well, and I want to join with the other members of this House in congratulating them, and wishing them all the best in their future endeavors, both on and off the field.

TRIBUTE TO DELORES "SUGAR" POINDEXTER

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 9, 2009

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Delores "Sugar" Poindexter for her phenomenal career in the gospel music industry and as a spiritual healer.

Sugar's stunning soprano voice is and will always remain legendary within the gospel music industry. She sang with many of the great pioneers of gospel music such as the Roberta Martin Singers and the Beatrice Brown Singers. In addition to singing, she was the Chairperson of the Back Stage Committee for the Gospel Music Workshop of America Inc. Sugar served as the Vice Chairperson of the Gospel Announcers Guild of the Gospel Music Workshop of America Inc., and as a co-host on Black Entertainment Television's Bobby Jones Gospel show.

Sugar is a remarkable woman who has achieved many firsts in her lifetime. She is a giant in the Indianapolis community whose vision of service has touched the lives of many less fortunate individuals. In the span of over three decades, Sugar was the first African American woman to host her own gospel program on the airwaves of WTLC, which was formerly known as 104.5 FM. She was the first African American licensed disc jockey on WTLC and again the first to host her show from the Marion County Jail on Thanksgiving Day, a tradition she continued for 20 years.

Despite her many achievements, Sugar's greatest legacy is that of a healer. She ran her own prison ministry providing hope and spiritual fulfillment to the women at the Indiana State Prison.

I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring Delores "Sugar" Poindexter, a woman who shared the gospel and its message of compassion, humanity and peace through music. Sugar firmly believed in the saying that, "to whom much is given much is expected."

GULFPORT, FLORIDA MOURNS THE PASSING OF ROBERT W. CALDWELL, JR.

HON. C.W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 9, 2009

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Madam Speaker, it is with a deep sadness that I share with my

colleagues the passing of my good friend and constituent Robert W. Caldwell, Jr. of Gulfport, Florida.

There was no more patriotic American than R. W. Caldwell, Jr. who died this past Fourth of July at the age of 88. He moved to Gulfport as a young boy during the 1920's and never left. During those more than 80 years, he fell in love with this small Florida city and throughout his lifetime he always strived to make it a better place to live. He built and sold homes in Gulfport, throughout Pinellas County and the state of Florida.

Bob also understood the value of preserving the history of our area and as such led community efforts to support the Gulfport Historical Society and restore some of its landmark sites including Scout Hall.

It was most appropriate that this past April, the City of Gulfport honored R. W. Caldwell, Jr. by naming a park in his honor. The City will turn out Saturday at this park to pay their respects to the life of this special man and to thank him for his lifelong contributions to making Gulfport such a special place in which to live, to learn, to work and to play.

Following my remarks, I will include for the benefit of my colleagues an article and obituary from The St. Petersburg Times about Bob's life.

Madam Speaker, my special thoughts go out to Bob's wife of 63 years Adele, his daughters April and Elise, his son Bill, and three grandchildren. In addition to his wife and family, one of R. W. Caldwell Jr.'s other loves of his life was fishing the beautiful waters of Florida and the Gulf of Mexico. It is my hope that his family always remembers this giant of our community when they pass by one of our waterways, see a fisherman casting out a line, and watch one of Florida's trademark sunsets over the Gulf of Mexico. May R. W. Caldwell, Jr. rest in peace.

[From the St. Petersburg Times, July 8, 2009]

LONGTIME BUILDER 'SKETCHED OUT' GULFPORT'

(By Andrew Meacham)

GULFPORT—R.W. Caldwell didn't just develop Gulfport, he lived there, putting down roots in its sandy soil. He lived for the outdoors and fishing—priorities that never changed even as his company became one of the Tampa Bay area's most recognizable names in real estate.

He added construction to a company that specialized in real estate and insurance. The expansion resulted in hundreds of new homes in Pinellas, Pasco and Charlotte counties, including some of the area's largest subdivisions and an influx of high-end homes to Gulfport.

Mr. Caldwell died of a stroke Saturday. He was 88.

"He was a remarkable pioneer," said Gulfport Mayor Michael Yakes. "He really sketched out Gulfport in his own right."

While franchises of huge companies like Coldwell Banker and Keller Williams dominate coast to coast, Mr. Caldwell's name has endured locally.

"The whole real estate industry was started by fellows like R.W. Caldwell," said Victor Adamo, chairman of the Pinellas Realtor Organization.

After getting a degree at M.I.T. and working as an aeronautical engineer in